FISCAL NOTE

SB 1566 - HB 1875

April 3, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits hunting with a firearm while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues – Less than \$100,000/Wildlife Fund Increase State Expenditures - \$6,600/Incarceration*
FY10-11 & Subsequent Years

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Less than \$100,000 Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- There will not be a sufficient number of convictions for local governments to experience a significant increase in expenditures.
- An increase in state revenues to the Wildlife Fund and an increase in local government revenues due to increased fine collections. Such increases are estimated to be less than \$100,000.
- An increase in state expenditures due to the Class E felony for the fourth or subsequent conviction for hunting under the influence. Because the prohibition is a new offense it is estimated that there will not be a felony conviction until the fourth fiscal year after the bill is enacted (FY10-11). According to the Department of Correction, the average operating cost per inmate per day for calendar year 2007 is \$60.16. The cost per inmate at 0.3 years is \$6,592.33 (\$60.16 X 109.58 days).

^{*}Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director